

CLAIMS

1. A method of creating partitions in a removable device, said method being characterized by:

5 communicating between an operating system and a device driver in a computer system capable of connecting with a removable device; and

10 allocating drive letters in number equal to a number of plural drives to a single unit of said removable device, when said device driver allocates drive letters to said operating system.

15 2. The method of creating partitions in a removable device according to claim 1, wherein the number of said drives is equal to a maximum number of partitions supported by said operating system.

20 3. The method of creating partitions in a removable device according to claim 2, wherein:

 said drive letters allocated to the single unit of said removable device remain valid until being reallocated again; and

25 a number of drive letters derived by subtracting a number of partitions on a medium within said removable device from the number of said drive letters is recognized as being absence of any medium.

25 4. The method of creating partitions in a removable device according to claim 1, wherein said drive letters comprise arbitrary

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~~characters allocated by an operator.~~

5. A medium having a program recorded therein for creating a plurality of partitions in the removable device as recited in claim 1.

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